

Crockett is looked for any day. Dr. Williams expects his father to be a passenger on her.

The Spokane, in a recent north-wind blow, narrowly escaped being a wreck on the rocks in Richardson's bay. She was drifting there ten feet with every swell, when the steamer Hawaii towed her to a safe anchorage. The Spokane's captain never acceded to a demand so quietly as that one made by Captain Fitzgerald of the Hawaii for \$50 for towing. "By George! it would have been five thousand if those tug sharks in San Francisco bay had got that chance at me," said Captain Jamison.

H. B. M. ship Champion arrived here on the 30th inst. and left on the 3d. Quite a number of her officers and crew walked to the volcano and back.

KEALIA, April 7.—The Government English day school at Kapaa, closed for the regular spring vacation on Friday, April 6th. A special feature of the closing exercises, which consisted of declamations, compositions and callisthenics, interspersed with music, songs and choruses, was a grand picnic given by Mrs. Wm. Blaisdell, wife of the well-known and popular manager of the Mokee Sugar Company's Kealia plantation, at the beautiful home of the owner, Col. Z. S. Spalding, whose spacious and ornate grounds were thrown open to the one hundred and ten little ones, who were fortunate enough to successfully pass with a general average of not less than 75 per cent. for scholarship department and attendance during the entire term of twelve weeks past. Mr. Harry Z. Austin, the principal, has introduced into this school a system of daily marking as above, in vogue in the public schools of America and elsewhere, but probably never before practiced in the schools of the Hawaiian Islands.

The success of the experiment was fully demonstrated by the admirable deportment of the children at this outing, when over one hundred of both sexes and many nationalities, gathered together for a day's sport, which included games of all kinds, such as base and foot ball with other field sports for the boys; and swings, jumping rope, hammocks, croquet, etc., for the girls, all bountifully supplied by the generous lady patron, who is so deeply interested and takes such pride in the school, to which she gives her patronage, by sending her own children. No single squabble or angry word was heard among the children to mar the harmony which was unbroken and perfect during the entire day.

At the feast and in the games the boys behaved like gentlemen, waiting quietly until after the little girls their schoolmates, were served and otherwise attending to their wants and looking after their welfare.

And such a feast! It is doubtful if public school children in any land ever sat down to its like before. There were roast and fricasseed chicken, and vegetables, with rice, for every one and to spare, with bread and butter, ham sandwiches, biscuits "with flies in 'em" as one of the little ones called the currants, cakes and crackers, candies, nuts, raisins, dates, pop corn balls, fruits and ice cream, with ice water and iced lemonade—not the circus article of one lime to a barrel of water—to drink. And during the afternoon hampers of cakes and crackers were placed about the grounds which were free to the little ones to help themselves when hunger prompted; and still no squabbling was heard no selfishness manifested.

Mr. Austin with his able assistants were everywhere present and entered into the games with the happy children with spirit. The prompt and cheerful obedience rendered at a word from the teachers, was a remarkable feature of the occasion, proving the firm but kindly discipline of the school.

Mrs. Blaisdell has her reward in the happiness she gave to many little hearts, who will look back in after years to this one red letter day as the happiest reminiscence of their lives. May others emulate her example, for the happiness of our little ones elsewhere and the betterment of our public schools.

HONOKAA, April 5.—The Waialeale arrived here on the 4th at 12 M. with a large mail.

The sea is again calm and steamers can load easily without trouble.

Residents of Honokaa and suburbs had a jolly time last evening at the Lyceum. Dancing and music were thoroughly enjoyed, and the participants retired at a late hour, entirely satisfied with their evening.

The rainfall for Honokaa (700 feet) on the Government road was 11.72 inches for March, and at Kaao, on the Affonso & Rickard farms (1150 feet), 15.73 inches, a very good record for a district which was almost getting to be a rain-forsaken place.

The Road Board will meet on the 7th inst. to discuss the business done during the past quarter.

The one-arched stone bridge at Kamouli is finished. It cost a trifle more than a wooden bridge would have cost, but it is a more solid work and will last a long time. It is the purpose of the Road Board of Hanalei to build about two such bridges annually until the more dangerous gulches are spanned by mason work.

More Portuguese field laborers have been employed by the Honokaa Sugar Company.

The Postoffice has procured a large blackboard to announce the arrival and departures of steamers and mails.

Paauhau is again grinding. Its crop is almost off. The weather continues fine.

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VERDURIOUS LAWNS AND FOLIAGE.

An Englishman Tells About the Careful Gardening in His Native Land.

Lewis Rose, a practical gardener, came to this country 10 years ago from England, where he was a farmer, and he trims and cuts according to English rules. Speaking of this country, he said:

You Americans do not know what good lawns are. In England the houses of the gentry are surrounded by acres of green sward that looks just like velvet. They mow the grass with a machine every week, and after the mower comes a heavy stone roller that rolls it down as flat as a piece of paper. It is just as smooth as that table cover there stretched over the table. The roller is to press down and heal any little break or tear in the turf made by the machine. If you break the turf anywhere, it is just like breaking your skin. You must fix it directly, or there will be a sore place on the lawn. Even if it gets well there will always be a scar there unless you mend it carefully. You should see the English lawns after a shower! The green is beautiful, and every blade of grass stands up straight, but all the little blades are of exactly the same length, and they look soft and level. The perfume of the new grass is delightful. They have windows generally that come down to the floor, and on the walls outside the house are climbing rose bushes all in bloom. The combined odor of roses and new mown grass is very pleasant.

You have to go at a lawn as if it were a piece of embroidery you were at work on. First you must have a good rich, decaying mold for the grass to live on. You cannot make grass grow in sand. Then as the grass comes up you must go over it step by step and dig out all the coarse grass and weeds and be sure to mend each place after digging up the roots. Then you will begin to find patches where no grass appears. You want to have grass seed handy and sow these places with it.

I water my lawns twice a day—in the morning before the sun gets fairly up and at night after it goes down. I mow the grass every week. After you have a good lawn you must watch every inch of it. You have no idea how easy it is to let a patch here and there get poisoned to death. When you find any foreign substance on a lawn that is likely to poison the grass, you want to dig it up, put fresh soil and fertilizer under it and fit a new and healthy bit of turf in the hole you have made. Then keep an eye on it afterward and water it well. The rich, decomposed sweepings from the stable make the best fertilizer.

In pruning trees you want to cut off every long shoot and make your trees compact and bushy like a full blown rose. Even wealthy Americans let their trees get scrawny, and they don't always cut them enough to prevent decay in some of the branches. It is easy to trim trees if you understand this principle. And the only reason I have been successful with my lawns is that I have been willing to take pains with them and do a lot of hard work.—New York Sun.

A Workman's Time Checker.

An English time check has been designed for use in factories and workshops for keeping a register of the time of the workmen. Its inventor claims that it is the only apparatus of the kind actuated and controlled by electricity. It contains no special clockwork and no complicated parts and requires no fixing. As many checks can be fitted to one clock as may be desired, and any ordinary clock can be adapted for the purpose. Each man is provided with checks, one of which he drops into the slot of the apparatus on entering the building. The checks are subsequently removed, and after their numbers have been registered placed on a board ready for the men to take when next leaving work. Any number of slots can be provided, but as a rule two only, marked respectively "early" and "late," are required. When the time for beginning work has gone by, the "early" slot is closed by an electrical attachment, and the "late" slot is opened. Before the next spell of work commences the "late" slot is closed, and the "early" slot is made ready to receive the checks of the workmen.—Exchange.

Very Ancient Jokes.

When Themistocles was trying to get money out of the Andrians for the Greece defense fund and told them that the Athenians would come with two great gods, persuasion and necessity, the Andrians replied that the Athenians were well off with two such serviceable gods, but they had two gods who always dwelt in their country—poverty and impossibility.

Cyrus' bitter jest about the fishes to the wretched Ionians, who had declined his overtures, and then after the taking of Sardis wanted to come to terms, has too much cruelty to be humorous. "Say," said the insulting victor, "that a piper, seeing fishes in the sea, were to pipe to them, thinking they will come out to the land, and when he was disappointed of his hope took a net and inclosed a great multitude of the fishes and drew them to land, and seeing them flopping about said to the fishes, 'Cease dancing to me, since you would not come out and dance when I played.'"

—Westminster Review.

Bosom Friends.

Fair Customer—As I wish to present a friend of mine with a bottle of your tincture on her birthday, I should like to know if it is really to be depended on for the removal of summer freckles?

Druggist—To tell you the honest truth, no, ma'am.

Fair Customer—Very good. Then I'll take a bottle.—Noticiero Universal.

Exemplary Patience.

The train stops. Peasant Woman (who for a long time has been showing signs of great anxiety, to stout gentleman absorbed in his paper)—I have to get out now. Excuse me, you are sitting on my butter!—Buntles Allerlie.

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HON. WM. G. IRWIN, HONOLULU, H. I. DEAR SIR:—In reply to yours of the 16th inst. regarding the National Cane Shredder furnished by the Universal Mill Co. of New York, and erected by the Hilo Sugar Co. this past season,

I would beg to say, that it has now been in operation day and night during the past three weeks working on plant cane, and also hard ratoons, and it is giving me the greatest satisfaction. The more I see of its capabilities, the better pleased I am that I put it in, as I am satisfied that it will repay the original outlay in a short time, in saving of labor, higher extraction, etc.

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